

City of Atka

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Department Economic & Business Development
Local Boundary Commission
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RE: Draft Model Borough Report

My comments concerning the information contained about the Aleutians West in the draft model borough study are as follows.

Pg. 18: Atka levies a 2% raw fish sales tax and a 10% bed tax. This is not mentioned.

Pg. 46 and 109: The BIA barge does not deliver fuel to Atka. Delta Western sends a fuel barge once a year.

Pg. 46 and 109: Charter service is available using twin engine Navaho aircraft not amphibious craft. Atka is too far away from Unalaska for the goose plane to make the trip.

Pg. 76: The population distribution for Atka does not add up to 92. Also, recent State population estimates are 102.

Pg. 109: Airstrip is 3250' and the runway is State operated not State owned. Airstrip is scheduled to be extended to 4500' within the next few years.

Pg 109: The Atka dock is 5 miles away from the old village site. Atka Pride Seafoods is not located near the dock. It is sited between the old village area and the airstrip.

The City of Atka has no opinion to express concerning borough formation at this time. As of yesterday, the City had not received the printed information. Atka does not have reliable access to the internet. The document itself was too long to fax to Atka. I work in Unalaska and was able to obtain the report from the State web site.

Sincerely,

Julie Dirks
City Administrator

Cc: Atka City Council